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# Genesee Intermediate School District

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Mr. Reed Hundt, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
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### Subject: "E-Rate" Telecommunications Discount

As superintendent of the Genesee Intermediate School District (GISD), I am writing to you on behalf of our 21 constituent K-12 school districts regarding the "E-Rate" telecommunications discount program for school districts.

The GISD is a regional education service agency, serving 90,000 public and private students from districts with total budgets in excess of \$544 million. I have enclosed excerpts taken from our 1996-97 Statistical Summary which details this information.

Recognizing the advent of employing technology in the learning process, the GISD, in cooperation and with the support of its constituent districts, has embarked on a \$16 million fiber optic communications system linking 146 school district buildings. The project, entitled "GenNET" (Genesee Network for Education Telecommunication), is designed to enhance the education process in Genesee County. (Enclosed is an informational brochure describing GenNET.)

A successful implementation of GenNET depends on the opportunity to take advantage of those services available via the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. The inclusion of internal classroom connections for discounts is vital. The direct impact such proposed discounts will have on school districts and school buildings in Genesee County is identified in the enclosed details about discounts, based on federal school lunch program percentages. We urge you to focus on the longtime benefits to the neediest of our students in having access to the available telecommunications services. We urge your favorable vote of the final implementation rules which would provide the maximum discounts.

If you are interested in additional information or would like to meet to discuss the important impact of the FCC's decision, I am available and would welcome the opportunity to be of service.

Sincerely,

Theodore P. Mansour, Director  
State and Federal Relations

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Enclosures

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**Genesee Intermediate School District**

# **STATISTICAL SUMMARY**

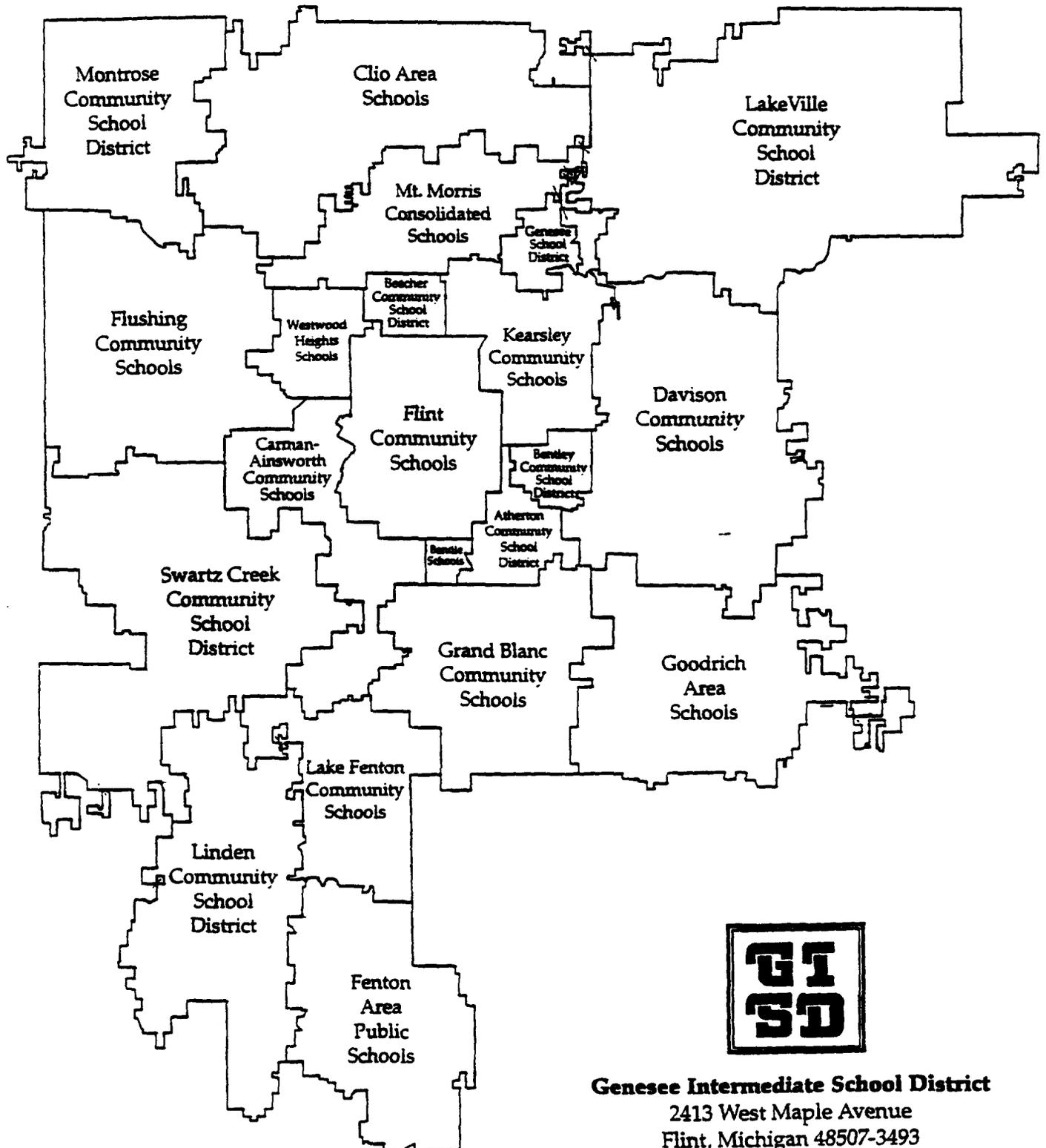
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# Genesee County School Districts



**Genesee Intermediate School District**  
2413 West Maple Avenue  
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GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**FULL-TIME EQUATED (FTE) MEMBERSHIP\* (DS-4061)**  
**(Ten-Year Comparison - Public and Nonpublic Schools)**

District	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
Atherton	1,157.00	1,076.00	1,050.00	1,097.00	1,104.50	1,164.62	1,118.64	1,133.63	1,111.86	1,122.04
Beecher	3,658.00	3,731.00	3,469.43	3,386.58	3,288.63	3,272.10	3,126.43	3,039.76	3,049.64	2,861.60
Bendle	1,899.00	1,876.00	2,042.79	2,236.00	2,217.00	2,107.00	2,029.97	1,817.84	1,866.10	1,782.13
Bentley	1,222.00	1,186.00	1,145.81	1,127.65	1,139.04	1,122.00	1,043.00	1,052.02	1,107.00	1,139.00
Carman-Ainsworth	5,271.00	5,146.00	5,176.00	5,296.20	5,247.20	5,178.60	5,257.50	5,211.92	5,252.62	5,270.77
Clio	4,383.00	4,386.00	4,340.19	4,236.50	4,084.30	4,037.67	3,947.43	3,817.40	3,828.34	3,792.56
Davison	4,771.50	4,717.00	4,607.42	4,725.26	4,879.10	4,905.24	4,968.41	5,018.80	5,099.52	5,046.69
Fenton	2,829.00	2,824.60	2,842.20	2,891.15	2,916.42	2,963.97	3,067.52	3,029.07	3,168.86	3,193.97
Flint	32,127.00	31,211.00	30,264.15	29,556.30	29,159.15	28,187.78	27,655.00	26,353.32	26,220.80	25,780.10
Flushing	3,959.00	3,976.00	3,969.36	4,018.06	4,070.47	4,079.57	4,080.99	4,145.46	4,230.96	4,237.30
Genesee	904.00	871.00	848.00	866.00	891.00	851.00	877.00	939.42	974.00	948.00
Goodrich	1,443.00	1,524.00	1,540.00	1,575.00	1,565.52	1,571.01	1,622.99	1,610.14	1,640.00	1,690.00
Grand Blanc	5,664.00	5,500.00	5,505.70	5,450.30	5,449.70	5,492.50	5,596.00	5,652.90	5,783.67	5,728.62
Kearsley	3,547.00	3,607.00	3,630.40	3,571.30	3,590.73	3,639.46	3,635.21	3,623.70	3,659.39	3,776.22
Lake Fenton	1,471.00	1,421.40	1,410.20	1,430.40	1,418.20	1,390.60	1,394.80	1,510.86	1,539.57	1,558.23
Lakeville	2,876.00	2,787.00	2,735.12	2,680.33	2,664.56	2,625.20	2,513.31	2,456.72	2,433.67	2,391.20
Linden	2,266.00	2,299.00	2,305.45	2,386.01	2,441.52	2,508.28	2,584.50	2,594.39	2,717.34	2,754.89
Montrose	1,802.00	1,774.00	1,774.26	1,754.69	1,721.58	1,723.56	1,724.94	1,679.30	1,656.71	1,662.93
Mt. Morris	3,437.00	3,473.00	3,389.80	3,485.00	3,754.25	3,503.93	3,446.75	3,343.94	3,351.80	3,253.18
Questar										42.00
Swartz Creek	4,623.00	4,555.00	4,524.86	4,465.72	4,389.93	4,307.55	4,208.47	4,191.28	4,191.39	4,216.51
Warwick Pointe										133.00
Westwood Heights	1,195.00	1,205.00	1,203.00	1,232.00	1,211.00	1,211.00	1,174.00	1,136.58	1,190.67	1,215.00
Genesee ISD	754.00	751.00	766.00	750.10	732.50	740.19	711.80	704.50	719.97	722.18
<b>TOTALS-Public</b>	<b>91,258.50</b>	<b>89,897.00</b>	<b>88,540.14</b>	<b>88,217.55</b>	<b>87,936.30</b>	<b>86,582.83</b>	<b>85,784.66</b>	<b>84,062.95</b>	<b>84,793.88</b>	<b>84,318.12</b>
<b>TOTALS-Nonpublic</b>	<b>7,545.00</b>	<b>7,080.00</b>	<b>6,735.00</b>	<b>5,979.00</b>	<b>5,921.00</b>	<b>5,716.00</b>	<b>6,283.00</b>	<b>6,164.00</b>	<b>6,672.00</b>	<b>6,578.00</b>

Note: Questar and Warwick Pointe became charter schools in January 1996.

\*Totals subject to change with final audit figure.

**GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**1996-97 Number of School Buildings by School District  
and  
Head Count Enrollment by Building Type (IM-4203)**

District	NUMBER OF BUILDINGS					HEAD COUNT ENROLLMENT BY BUILDING TYPE				
	Elem.	Middle/Jr. Hi.	Sr. High	Adult Ed./Other	Total	Elem.	Middle/Jr. Hi.	Sr. High	Adult Ed./Other	Total
Atherton	1	1	1	0	3	360	457	309	0	1,126
Beecher	4	2	1	2	9	1,304	810	650	166	2,930
Bendle	3	1	1	1	6	753	340	391	17	1,501
Bentley	1	1	1	0	3	474	377	320	0	1,171
Carman-Ainsworth	6	1	1	0	8	2,927	858	1,500	0	5,285
Clio	3	1	1	1	6	1,389	1,013	1,154	81	3,637
Davison	5	1	1	1	8	2,273	1,242	1,401	153	5,069
Fenton	3	1	1	0	5	1,490	750	962	0	3,202
Flint	34	5	6	0	45	15,940	3,664	6,374	0	25,978
Flushing	4	1	1	0	6	2,195	703	1,307	0	4,205
Genesee	1	0	1	0	2	555	0	411	0	966
Goodrich	2	1	1	0	4	769	408	513	0	1,690
Grand Blanc	6	1	1	0	8	2,610	1,400	1,718	0	5,728
Kearsley	5	1	1	1	8	1,649	848	1,095	210	3,802
Lake Fenton	1	1	1	0	3	531	451	460	0	1,442
Lakeville	4	1	2	0	7	1,055	555	818	0	2,428
Linden	3	1	1	0	5	1,344	641	771	0	2,756
Montrose	1	1	1	0	3	475	693	508	0	1,676
Mt. Morris	4	1	1	0	6	1,738	485	904	0	3,127
Questar Academy	1	0	0	0	1	40	0	0	0	40
Swartz Creek	5	1	1	0	7	1,881	951	1,393	0	4,225
Warwick Pointe Acad.	1	0	0	0	1	133	0	0	0	133
Westwood Heights	2	1	1	0	4	712	184	319	0	1,215
Genesee ISD	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	723	723
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>42,597</b>	<b>16,830</b>	<b>23,278</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>84,055</b>

Grade ranges may vary; e.g., not all elem. schools are grades K-6. For specific grade ranges, refer to Head Count Membership, pages 11-17.

**GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**1996-97 Racial-Ethnic/Male-Female Head Count by District, September 27, 1996 (IM-4203)**

District	Amer. Indian		Asian		Black		Hispanic		White		Total		Grand Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Atherton	2	0	1	3	10	13	8	12	531	546	552	574	1,126
Beecher	1	9	0	0	1,187	1,127	47	48	275	236	1,510	1,420	2,930
Bendle	10	12	6	9	4	3	27	23	724	683	771	730	1,501
Bentley	7	10	6	3	12	17	17	10	555	534	597	574	1,171
Carman-Ainsworth	245	218	94	74	407	409	38	44	1,883	1,873	2,667	2,618	5,285
Clio	8	11	6	11	23	19	44	22	1,876	1,617	1,957	1,680	3,637
Davison	98	72	23	23	24	22	44	32	2,412	2,319	2,601	2,468	5,069
Fenton	4	2	6	16	7	7	10	16	1,527	1,607	1,554	1,648	3,202
Flint	302	364	49	39	9,097	9,048	277	313	3,336	3,153	13,061	12,917	25,978
Flushing	5	5	30	27	32	40	29	33	2,020	1,984	2,116	2,089	4,205
Genesee	4	2	3	1	11	14	13	13	453	452	484	482	966
Genesee ISD	1	4	6	4	106	67	3	5	305	222	421	302	723
Goodrich	2	4	5	6	3	3	7	6	865	789	882	808	1,690
Grand Blanc	4	0	111	85	206	216	48	40	2,564	2,454	2,933	2,795	5,728
Kearsley	6	8	14	24	34	27	35	35	1,855	1,764	1,944	1,858	3,802
Lake Fenton	10	6	10	6	1	2	3	6	724	674	748	694	1,442
Lakeville	1	5	8	6	13	7	17	12	1,229	1,130	1,268	1,160	2,428
Linden	1	5	7	10	5	3	9	13	1,360	1,343	1,382	1,374	2,756
Montrose	19	17	2	3	15	5	21	18	795	781	852	824	1,676
Mt. Morris	233	269	7	6	56	58	31	19	1,252	1,196	1,579	1,548	3,127
Questar Academy	0	0	3	1	4	9	2	0	15	6	24	16	40
Swartz Creek	92	72	26	24	37	32	28	35	2,034	1,845	2,217	2,008	4,225
Warwick Pointe Acad.	0	0	3	4	3	8	2	1	46	66	54	79	133
Westwood Heights	20	21	1	1	313	308	22	15	268	251	624	591	1,215
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>1,116</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>11,610</b>	<b>11,459</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>771</b>	<b>28,904</b>	<b>27,525</b>	<b>42,798</b>	<b>41,257</b>	<b>84,055</b>

**DEFINITION OF RACIAL/ETHNIC GROUPS:**

Amer. Indian or Alaskan Native: Origins in any of the original peoples of N. America, or who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation/community recognition.

Asian or Pacific Islander: Origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian sub-continent or the Pacific Islands.

Black, not of Hispanic Origin: A person having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic: A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or S. American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race.

White, not of Hispanic Origin: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, N. Africa or the Middle East.

GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

1996 GRADUATES BY RACIAL-ETHNIC GROUP & GENDER (IM-4203)

District/Building or Program		Amer. Indian		Asian		Black		Hispanic		White		Total		Bldg.	District
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	Total	Total
Atherton	High School	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	21	25	23	26	49	49
Beecher	High School	1	0	0	0	47	51	0	0	8	6	56	57	113	
	Alternative Ed.	0	0	0	0	11	13	0	1	1	5	12	19	31	
	H.S. Completer-GED	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	1	3	4	5	8	13	
	Other	0	0	0	0	14	26	7	5	2	8	23	39	62	219
Bendle	High School	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	2	35	24	38	29	67	
	H.S. Completer-GED	0	2	0	2	4	6	1	2	16	43	21	55	76	
	Other	3	0	1	1	15	7	4	1	35	26	58	35	93	236
Bentley	High School	0	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	35	52	37	57	94	94
Carman-Ains.	High School	6	8	4	3	20	15	1	2	85	98	116	126	242	242
Clio	High School	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	3	100	125	105	128	233	
	Alternative Ed.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	3	236
Davison	High School	3	3	1	1	1	0	1	3	123	135	129	142	271	
	Alternative Ed.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	19	11	19	30	301
Fenton	High School	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	102	89	105	90	195	195
Flint	Central H. S.	1	1	0	4	52	55	7	14	39	53	99	127	226	
	Mott Middle College	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	6	6	8	9	17	
	Northern H.S.	0	0	2	0	71	99	2	0	7	5	82	104	186	
	Northerwestern H.S.	1	1	0	0	57	82	0	0	0	0	58	83	141	
	Schools of Choice	0	0	0	0	30	80	0	0	1	2	31	82	113	
	Southwestern Acad.	0	1	0	2	54	75	3	3	42	51	99	132	231	914
Flushing	High School	1	1	0	2	1	1	2	1	111	139	115	144	259	
	Alternative Ed.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	6	6	6	12	
	H.S. Completer-GED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	3	2	5	276
Genesee	High School	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	2	19	24	20	31	51	51
Goodrich	High School	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	42	51	44	53	97	97
Grand Blanc	High School	0	0	3	6	10	12	0	0	180	190	193	208	401	
	H.S. Completer-GED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	402
Kearsley	High School	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	102	119	105	119	224	
	Alternative Ed.	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	3	5	3	8	
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	3	235

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1996 GRADUATES BY RACIAL-ETHNIC GROUP & GENDER - continued

District/Building or Program	Amer. Indian		Asian		Black		Hispanic		White		Total		Bldg. Total	District Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
Lake Fenton High School	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	35	41	37	45	82	
H.S. Completer-GED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	83
Lakeville High School	1	0	1	1	1	3	5	0	76	64	84	68	152	152
Linden High School	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	62	81	65	83	148	148
Montrose High School	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	44	49	46	52	98	98
Mt. Morris High School	0	0	0	0	4	6	1	3	80	88	85	97	182	
Alternative Ed.	0	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	11	27	13	32	45	
H.S. Completer-GED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	3	9	3	12	239
Swartz Creek High School	4	4	0	1	0	0	2	3	115	137	121	145	266	
H.S. Completer-GED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	5	6	5	11	
Other	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	8	7	9	8	17	294
Westwood Hts. High School	0	1	0	0	11	10	0	1	7	11	18	23	41	41
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>1,593</b>	<b>1,828</b>	<b>2,103</b>	<b>2,499</b>	<b>4,602</b>	<b>4,602</b>

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GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**1995-96 GENERAL FUND REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES (DS-4169)**

District	1995-96 GENERAL FUND REVENUES								
	Local Revenues	%	State Aid Foundation	%	Other	%	Federal	%	Total Revenues
Atherton	1,745,676	26.2	4,344,303	65.1	425,589	6.4	158,123	2.4	6,673,691
Beecher	1,393,866	5.7	15,765,619	65.0	2,679,891	11.1	4,404,829	18.2	24,244,205
Bendle	748,409	6.8	7,509,784	68.6	1,759,465	16.1	934,567	8.5	10,952,225
Bentley	749,517	11.3	5,519,652	83.3	193,417	2.9	159,722	2.4	6,622,308
Carman-Ainsworth	9,582,907	25.0	23,770,965	62.0	2,614,823	6.8	2,385,290	6.2	38,353,985
Clio	1,450,162	6.9	18,176,987	85.9	884,420	4.2	643,060	3.0	21,154,629
Davison	3,023,910	11.0	23,750,455	86.5	71,387	0.3	615,204	2.2	27,460,956
Fenton	2,253,768	12.6	14,252,119	79.7	958,959	5.4	409,063	2.3	17,873,909
Flint	24,015,507	12.0	133,810,135	66.8	23,112,839	11.5	19,421,528	9.7	200,360,009
Flushing	1,512,851	6.8	19,174,265	86.1	1,175,260	5.3	415,288	1.9	22,277,664
Genesee	237,019	4.3	4,672,209	85.6	277,545	5.1	271,301	5.0	5,458,074
Goodrich	640,818	7.6	7,435,425	88.0	193,686	2.3	175,614	2.1	8,445,543
Grand Blanc	6,473,762	18.1	28,189,762	79.0	706,595	2.0	329,265	0.9	35,699,384
Kearsley	1,466,786	7.1	18,685,657	89.9	208,967	1.0	416,317	2.0	20,777,727
Lake Fenton	1,400,692	14.9	7,465,124	79.6	401,546	4.3	106,175	1.1	9,373,537
Lakeville	1,113,876	8.4	10,891,438	82.6	946,431	7.2	232,618	1.8	13,184,363
Linden	1,476,342	10.4	12,358,452	86.9	268,862	1.9	122,130	0.9	14,225,786
Montrose	547,694	5.2	9,193,774	86.6	547,309	5.2	328,185	3.1	10,616,962
Mt. Morris	1,407,137	7.3	15,060,616	78.7	1,773,834	9.3	905,507	4.7	19,147,094
Questar Academy	0	0.0	157,028	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	157,028
Swartz Creek	5,977,545	25.8	16,039,505	69.3	862,294	3.7	262,711	1.1	23,142,055
Warwick Pt. Academy	0	0.0	283,935	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	283,935
Westwood Heights	1,482,308	19.6	5,017,079	66.3	718,134	9.5	345,662	4.6	7,563,183
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$68,700,552</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>\$401,524,288</b>	<b>73.8</b>	<b>\$40,781,253</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>\$33,042,159</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>\$544,048,252</b>

Note: Incoming or Outgoing Transfers not included.

General Fund Expenditures on next page.

GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

1995-96 SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM (SM4012SL)

District	1995-96 Head Count Enrollment Grades 1-12	Lunches Served (Free/Reduced/Paid)						Days Served*	Daily Average	Percent of Partici- pation	Ala Carte	
		Free	% to Total	Reduced	% to Total	Paid	% to Total					Total
Atherton	1,001	40,789	31.8%	10,168	7.9%	77,153	60.2%	128,110	167	767	76.6%	37,119
Beecher	2,585	286,972	87.4%	11,358	3.5%	30,043	9.1%	328,373	150	2,189	84.7%	62,878
Bendle	1,376	65,387	57.6%	4,623	4.1%	43,524	38.3%	113,534	144	788	57.3%	42,125
Bentley**	1,033											
Carman-Ainsworth	4,819	162,163	43.7%	17,770	4.8%	191,233	51.5%	371,166	147	2,525	52.4%	167,173
Clio	3,505	65,074	32.9%	11,667	5.9%	121,018	61.2%	197,759	172	1,150	32.8%	246,750
Davison	4,686	56,802	16.5%	9,927	2.9%	277,541	80.6%	344,270	173	1,990	42.5%	223,586
Fenton	2,884	36,421	18.0%	8,666	4.3%	157,593	77.8%	202,680	145	1,398	48.5%	121,499
Flint	22,571	1,810,132	90.6%	43,000	2.2%	144,990	7.3%	1,998,122	193	10,353	45.9%	552,580
Flushing	3,858	22,117	9.7%	4,671	2.1%	200,673	88.2%	227,461	133	1,710	44.3%	52,732
Genesee	886	30,633	57.2%	4,117	7.7%	18,803	35.1%	53,553	178	301	34.0%	30,511
Goodrich	1,541	4,642	3.3%	2,498	1.8%	133,159	94.9%	140,299	178	788	51.1%	134,725
Grand Blanc	5,329	44,310	11.5%	7,973	2.1%	332,727	86.4%	385,010	167	2,305	43.3%	332,605
Kearsley	3,269	50,955	22.6%	4,999	2.2%	169,442	75.2%	225,396	169	1,334	40.8%	98,160
Lake Fenton	1,283	9,887	10.2%	1,536	1.6%	85,124	88.2%	96,547	170	568	44.3%	5,853
LakeVille	2,199	54,412	25.5%	17,651	8.3%	141,051	66.2%	213,114	173	1,232	56.0%	99,649
Linden	2,504	23,522	9.8%	7,768	3.2%	209,314	87.0%	240,604	178	1,352	88.9%	109,215
Montrose	1,521	42,104	24.9%	11,855	7.0%	115,004	68.1%	168,963	171	988	39.5%	69,667
Mt. Morris	2,893	77,660	47.3%	6,031	3.7%	80,486	49.0%	164,177	178	922	31.9%	226,091
Swartz Creek	3,851	47,095	21.6%	6,772	3.1%	163,799	75.3%	217,666	164	1,327	34.5%	166,843
Westwood Hts.	1,054	69,635	53.5%	6,737	5.2%	53,879	41.4%	130,251	167	780	74.0%	64,320
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>74,648</b>	<b>3,000,712</b>	<b>50.5%</b>	<b>199,787</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>2,746,556</b>	<b>46.2%</b>	<b>5,947,055</b>				<b>2,844,081</b>

\*"Days Served" may vary from district to district due to the number of monthly reports received by Genesee ISD.

\*\* No reports received from Bentley School District.

**1995-96 Federal Lunch Program Data for Genesee County School Districts  
by District and Building**

District or Building Name	%Federal Lunch	Enrollment
Atherton Community School District	38.0	1,112
Atherton High School	19.5	313
Atherton Middle School	41.4	427
Van Y Elementary School	50.4	357
Beecher Community School District	71.7	3,001
Beecher High School	43.3	695
Buell Elementary School	82.4	475
Dailey Elementary School	84.4	598
Dolan Middle School	71.3	374
Harrow Elementary School	81.7	229
Kurtz Head Start	--	94
Summit Middle School	70.4	481
Bendle Public Schools	43.3	1,843
Bendle Senior High School	24.4	373
Friel Elementary School	--	22
Griffith Court Elementary	50.6	82
South Bendle Elementary	53.2	270
T N Lamb Junior High School	44.2	368
West Bendle Elementary	51.6	399
Bentley Community School District	21.8	1,105
Barhitte Elementary School	28.4	428
Bentley Junior High School	22.9	345
Bentley Senior High School	12.3	334
Carman-Ainsworth Schools	29.3	5,246
Carman Park Elementary	32.1	251
Carman-Ainsworth High School	10.3	1,445
Carman-Ainsworth Junior High School	19.2	894
Dye Elementary School	39.4	726
Gladys Dillon Elementary	47.4	352
Randels Elementary	28.7	732
Rankin Elementary	26.7	367
Woodland Elementary	45.0	495
Clio Area School District	19.1	3,833
A C Edgerton Elementary	28.3	503
Clio Area High School	4.8	1,152
Clio Community Ed	--	74
George A Lacure Elementary	32.8	448
George R Carter Middle	20.1	1,161
Glen Garner Elementary	31.5	459
Davison Community Schools	13.2	5,105
Central Elementary	21.5	636
Davison Adult Education	--	79
Davison Comm Alternative Ed	--	119
Davison High School	5.9	1,402
Davison Middle School	12.3	1,213
Gates Elementary School	9.6	590
Hill Elementary School	33.1	275
Siple Elementary School	21.6	373
Thomson Elementary	11.1	461

Fenton Area Public School	14.6	3,169
Fenton High School	7.7	941
Fenton Middle School	14.4	712
North Road Elementary	27.0	506
State Road Elementary	13.2	517
Tomek-Eastern Elementary	23.5	496
Flint City School District	65.8	26,257
Anderson Elementary	54.4	419
Brownell Elementary	71.1	451
Bunche Elementary	91.6	419
Carpenter Road Elementary School	97.4	493
Central High School	33.2	1,406
Civic Park Elementary	79.2	495
Cody Elementary School	63.4	600
Cook Elementary School	95.2	505
Coolidge Elementary	59.2	373
Cummings Comm Elementary School	--	334
Dort Elementary School	84.6	350
Doyle/Ryder Elementary	61.	660
Durant Tuuri Mott Elementary	78.8	525
Eisenhower Elementary	72.4	400
Flint Southwestern Academy	21.8	1,538
Freeman Elementary	53.5	530
Garfield Elementary	74.7	515
Gundry Elementary	78.7	521
Holmes Middle School	74.2	818
Homdale Elementary	93.9	560
Johnson Elementary	79.6	266
King Elementary School	84.0	465
Lawndale Ave Comm Elementary	--	480
Longfellow Middle School	66.1	801
Lowell Middle School	79.8	195
Manley Elementary	95.0	557
Martin Elementary	97.8	487
McKinley Middle School	80.1	638
Merrill Elementary	77.8	420
Mott Adult High School	--	223
Neithercut Elementary	39.1	432
Northern High School	44.8	1,507
Northwestern High School	45.7	1,268
Pierce Elementary	41.1	373
Pierson Elementary	87.9	702
Potter Elementary	56.0	541
Schools of Choice	66.4	553
Scott Elementary School	61.3	433
Sobey Elementary School	62.8	412
Stewart Elementary	81.1	441
Summerfield Elementary	67.9	466
Washington Elementary	68.0	513
Whittier Middle School	56.0	986
Wilkins Elementary	92.8	374
Williams Elementary	91.5	585
Flushing Community Schools	8.0	4,231
Central Elementary	13.2	556
Elms Elementary School	16.1	578
Flushing High School	3.6	1,289
Flushing Junior High School	5.0	705
Seymour Elementary	7.5	600
Springview Elementary	12.3	479
Genesee School District	35.9	974
Genesee High School	--	428
Jack P Haas Elementary	35.9	546

Goodrich Area School District	4.1	1,637
Goodrich High School	3.0	495
Goodrich Middle School	--	527
Reid Elementary School	6.2	618
Grand Blanc Community Schools	7.9	5,784
Cook Elementary School	8.2	520
Grand Blanc High School	3.9	1,710
Grand Blanc Middle School	7.2	1,410
Indian Hill Elementary	10.3	320
McGrath Elementary	18.8	691
Myers Elementary School	2.7	549
Perry Learning Center	--	33
Reid Elementary School	11.8	547
Kearsley Community Schools	18.1	3,656
Armstrong Middle School	21.5	829
Buffey Elementary	39.3	361
Dowdall Elementary	23.3	315
Fiedler Elementary	14.5	379
Kearsley High School	8.0	1,088
Paro School	38.0	52
Weston Elementary	19.6	556
Lake Fenton Schools	7.3	1,540
Lake Fenton High School	4.3	421
Torrey Hill Middle School	7.7	457
West Shore Elementary	10.1	526
Lakeville Community Schools	25.3	2,451
Columbiaville Elementary	39.6	321
Lakeville High School	14.8	771
Lakeville Middle School	23.5	552
Otisville Elementary	33.7	208
Otter Lake Elementary	36.4	282
Southwest Elementary	24.2	243
Linden Community School District	9.9	2,717
Argentine Elementary	20.2	356
Central Elementary	12.4	486
Linden Elementary School	11.7	485
Linden High School	5.1	766
Linden Middle School	9.3	619
Montrose Community Schools	25.9	1,657
Carter Elementary School	35.0	455
Hill-McCloy High School	12.8	486
Kuehn Haven Middle School	29.2	693
Swartz Creek Community Schools	14.5	4,186
Dieck Elementary School	33.8	357
Elms Road Elementary	36.4	441
Gaines Elementary	11.7	285
Morrish Elementary School	9.0	462
Swartz Creek High School	6.6	1,374
Swartz Creek Middle School	14.1	944
Syring Elementary School	8.8	313
Westwood Heights School Districts	51.2	1,174
Hamady High School	31.7	309
Hamady Middle School	--	197
Michael Hamady Elementary School	73.6	360
Westwood Elementary	61.9	348

Source: Michigan Department of Education

### **The Universal Service Fund Itself**

Funds will be distributed from a single, common universal service fund that has a cap of \$2.25 billion per year for the entire United States. Availability is on a first-come first-served basis for the first \$2 billion, and based on need after that.

### **Specific Services**

Schools and libraries may purchase whatever package of telecommunications services they believe will meet their needs most effectively and efficiently, including:

- Traditional telecommunications services
- Internet access - dial-in or direct connections and e-mail (content beyond a minimal, bundled amount is not included)
- Internal connections - wiring, routers, hubs, network file servers, and wireless LANs (excludes personal computers and associated software, and training)

### **Eligibility of Schools and Libraries**

- All non-profit public and private elementary and secondary schools in the United States are eligible, provided the school does not have endowments exceeding \$50 million.
- All non-profit libraries that are eligible to participate in state-based plans for funds under Title III of the Library Services and Construction Act are eligible. The Library of Michigan defines this act for Michigan libraries, and it includes public libraries as well as non-profit libraries that are part of schools, colleges, universities, government agencies, etc.

### **Discount Details**

The organization may choose any provider it desires. The discount percentage will be calculated on the lowest price charged to similarly situated non-residential customers for the same type of

services. The following discount matrix is proposed by the joint-board.

School Lunch Eligible	Area Cost		
	Low (67%)	Medium (20%)	Highest (7%)
<1% (3%)	20%	20%	25%
1%-19% (31%)	40%	45%	50%
20%-34% (19%)	50%	55%	60%
35%-49% (15%)	60%	65%	70%
50%-74% (16%)	80%	80%	80%
75%-100% (16%)	90%	90%	90%

Percentages in parenthesis ( ) indicate number of organizations in the U.S. estimated to qualify for the specified category.



**Find out your school or district's current percentage of students on the federal lunch program at:**  
<http://www.merit.edu/k12.michigan/usf/lunch.html>

### **Determining discounts for schools that do not participate in the national school lunch program**

- Schools that do not participate in the national school lunch program are still eligible to receive discounts on telecommunications and other covered services. These organizations need to certify the percentage of students who would be eligible for the national school lunch program if they did participate, and use that percentage as their basis for discount.
- It was recommended that the libraries' discount percentage be based on the national school lunch percentages of the school district(s) in which they are located. This figure would be an average of districts if more than one school district is involved.

## ***School and Library Self-Certification***

There are three requirements for self-certification.

- 1) The school or library must have a technology plan which ensures that their organization has the ability to use the services once they are implemented. This plan should include hardware, software, wiring, and teacher training.
- 2) The organization must submit a request describing the services they desire to the USF administrator. This request will be posted on a web site for competitive bidding.
- 3) Finally, the school or library must submit a written request for services to the selected provider(s) and certify that:
  - the school or library is an eligible entity
  - the services will be used solely for education purposes
  - the services will not be sold, resold, or transferred
  - for consortiums, the portion of the services being purchased by the school or library, and include the identities of all co-purchasers

All organizations must keep records for possible auditing.

## **What needs to be done?**

You've taken the first step already – awareness. Pass this information on to others in your organization to help them become aware of this opportunity also.

### ***Work with your community to network and form consortiums***

Throughout the state, consortiums are forming to help share the cost of telecommunications. Internet access is one of the most important areas where organizations can reap the benefits of a consortium. Opportunities to share both network infrastructure and knowledge result in lower costs for all. Types and examples of existing consortiums include:

emphasis on competition between providers and included new rules on who could tap funds in an account known as the Universal Service Fund (USF). The act went on to include changes in how the USF could be used.

To comply with the act, a Federal-State Joint Board studied the USF portion and made recommendations about how USF rules should be implemented. Their recommendations were very timely, and were publicly announced in November, 1996. It is the joint board's recommendations that are so important to provide budget solutions for K-12 schools, libraries, and rural health care organizations.

The FCC asked for public comment on the joint board's recommendations during December, 1996 and January, 1997. **The FCC must act on the joint board's recommendations by May 8, 1997.** The FCC may adopt or modify the joint board's recommendations.

## **What it means for K-12 Schools and Libraries**

Recommendations for K-12 schools and libraries call for discounts of 20% to 90% on telecommunications services, Internet access, and internal connections. The amount of discount is based on need, as determined by eligibility for the federal school lunch program as well as on costs of the covered services in the area.

In order to access these funds, schools are required to submit a request to the USF administrator. Requests must include self-certification data. The USF fund administrator will then post requests for services on a web site for competitive bidding. Organizations who qualify and utilize the USF to lower telecommunications costs will not be allowed to resell the services purchased with these funds.

## **It's almost too good to be true . . .**

Help is on the way for K-12 schools and libraries in the form of substantial discounts on telecommunications and Internet access today. The more an organization needs funding, the greater discount they'll be given. Read on for details. But first . . .

## **A meeting to discuss the discounts**

Merit Network, Inc., a non-profit partner and provider of Internet services, and MiCTA, a consortium of non-profit organizations in Michigan are jointly sponsoring an informational meeting. The meeting is open to representatives from K-12 schools and libraries interested in applying for USF telecommunications discounts.

### **Universal Service Funding for the State of Michigan**

*An informational meeting sponsored by*

**Merit Network, Inc. and MiCTA**

Thursday, May 15

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Bovee University Center Auditorium

Central Michigan University

Mt. Pleasant, MI

The meeting will also be available by interactive video at Northern Michigan University in Marquette. Come to room 165 in the Learning Resource Center.

To pre-register you can call Sandra Elder at 517-774-3088, send e-mail to [may15@merit.edu](mailto:may15@merit.edu), or send a FAX to Merit at 313-647-3185. Include your name, organization, phone number and/or e-mail address, and if you will be attending the meeting in Mt. Pleasant or Marquette. Lunch will be provided for those who pre-register.

## **The New Federal Telecommunications Act**

- This act was passed in February of 1996 and called for major changes in the telecommunications industry. The act placed an

- Community/geographic - a community might develop a network consisting of the local school district, library, community college and city or township offices.
- Type of organization – a library might develop a consortium consisting of the main branch and connectivity for all its remote sites. This consortium could be part of a larger cooperative.
- Activity between organizations – an Intermediate School District might form a consortium with districts that they plan to regularly transfer data or video traffic between.

The USF joint-board encouraged formation of consortiums, and has included logical provisions for dealing with consortiums who contain both qualifying and non-qualifying USF recipients.

### ***Your organization can prepare by:***

- Developing technology plans *now!* You'll be a giant step ahead when the FCC makes its decision.
- Determine your approximate discount percentage.
- Request information about participation in the universal service program from potential providers. Line up providers who plan to participate, secure cost estimates, and align your budget.

### ***Gather more information***

Resources abound on this subject. Here are just a few:

<http://www.fcc.gov>

<http://www.merit.edu/k12.michigan/usf>

<http://www.benton.org/Policy/>

<http://www.itc.org/edlinc/jointboard/index.html>

### ***Attend the Merit/MiCTA USF Meeting***

Help in funding telecommunications is coming. The Merit/MiCTA meeting is one way you can get the most up-to-date information about the FCC's decision, and how best to proceed.

## **Universal Service Fund Discounts are Coming!**

K-12 schools and libraries

may soon receive

**20% to 90% discounts on**

**telecommunications services,**

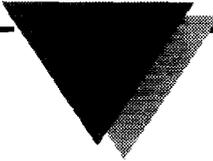
**Internet access,**

**and internal connections.**

***Is your organization ready?***



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## **GenNET Components**

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- ◆ Voice, video and data transmission using fiber optic cable, connecting all public school buildings in Genesee County
- ◆ A two-way interactive distance learning classroom in each elementary, middle and high school to share instructional demonstration, educational software and professional development resources
- ◆ Internet access to the world of information
- ◆ Connectivity to institutions of higher education via the Flint Area Network for Educational Technology (FANET)
- ◆ Technology-based instructional curriculum/extended curriculum via teleconferences
- ◆ Unified information system for instructional/administrative support, student accounting and financial reporting
- ◆ Networking between parents and schools
- ◆ After school tutoring in math and English
- ◆ Capability to obtain advanced placement and dual credit courses from colleges and universities locally and globally
- ◆ Cost saving, intercom-style communication system between all school buildings
- ◆ Future connectivity to business/industry in Genesee County for school-to-work experiences

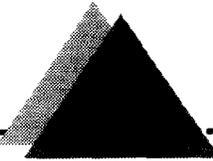
## **Major Planning Groups**

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- ◆ GenNET Governing Board
- ◆ Genesee County Superintendents Association
- ◆ Genesee County Superintendents Subcommittee on Information Processing
- ◆ Genesee County Superintendents Subcommittee on Curriculum
- ◆ Greater Flint Educational Consortium Telecommunications Committee
- ◆ Genesee County Telecommunications Partnership
- ◆ Greater Thumb Telecommunications Consortium (six counties)

## **Primary User/Future User Groups**

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- ◆ Twenty-one public (including Genesee Intermediate School District) and two private K-12 school districts
  - ◆ Public and private higher education
  - ◆ Michigan School for the Deaf and Blind
  - ◆ Michigan State University Cooperative County Extension
  - ◆ Mideastern Library Cooperative (12 public libraries/45 extensions)
  - ◆ Mideastern Subregional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
  - ◆ Health care providers and insurers
  - ◆ Municipal and County Government
  - ◆ Public School Academies
  - ◆ Businesses
  - ◆ Police and fire departments
  - ◆ American Red Cross
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## **Statistics**

- ◆ 12 strands of fiber to each high school and administration building/6 strands to each middle and elementary school
- ◆ 80-120 channels outgoing for video distribution/40 channels for local district use
- ◆ 2 channels for video origination
- ◆ 160 miles of fiber optic cable
- ◆ 155 megabytes per second ATM backbone
- ◆ 146 buildings (95 elementary, 25 middle and 26 high schools, plus 10 Flint Cultural Center/maintenance buildings)
- ◆ 21 local K-12 school districts and Genesee Intermediate Intermediate School District
- ◆ \$16.1 million project
- ◆ Completion date: January 31, 1999

## **Genesee County Technology Partnership**

- ◆ 21 Public Genesee County K-12 school districts
- ◆ Genesee Intermediate School District
- ◆ Genesee Area Math/Science/Technology Center
- ◆ GASC Technology Center
- ◆ Merit Network
- ◆ Mott Community College
- ◆ University of Michigan-Flint
- ◆ GMI Engineering and Management Institute
- ◆ Shiawassee Regional Education Service District
- ◆ Shiawassee Interactive Telecommunications Educational System
- ◆ Luke M. Powers Catholic High School
- ◆ The Valley School
- ◆ Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative
- ◆ Flint Area Network for Educational Technology (FANET)
- ◆ Genesee Free-Net
- ◆ Flint Area Library Cooperative Online Network (FALCON)



**Genesee Network for Education  
Telecommunication**

**Lifelong Learning  
Network for Genesee  
County Schools**

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**Reed Hundt, Chairman**  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of Secretary

Dear Mr. Chairman:

We, a coalition of Alaska's educational leaders, are writing to urge your approval of the recommendations of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service. Those recommendations will come before you on May 8.

Affordable access to advanced telecommunications is an essential element of equal educational opportunity in Alaska. Affordable access to advanced technologies can mean that, for the first time, a student in a remote village will have access to the same abundance of learning resources and opportunities to interact with people from different cultures and experiences that is available to any other child in the United States.

The Joint Board's recommendations can lead to an economic, as well as an educational breakthrough for Alaskans, allowing our students to acquire the skills to compete in a global workforce and to grow into consumers of new technology into the 21st century.

Powerful forces may tell you that the discounts provided for education in the Joint Board's recommendations are not needed. Others may say that school districts wouldn't know what to do with advanced telecommunications if they were available. Neither assertion is true. Alaskan school districts stand ready to put the technology to use to improve student learning if and when schools are able to access it through the discounts recommended by the Joint Board, including connections to classrooms and Internet connectivity.

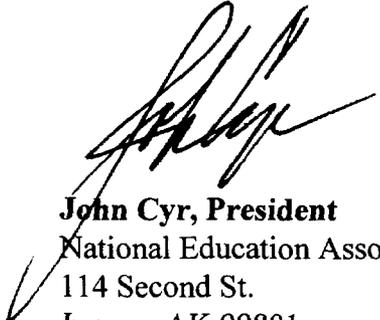
America has refused to accept any less a standard for its children than equal educational opportunity--without regard to the accident of birth or geography.

Your vote for the Joint Board's recommendations will honor and advance this standard for the students in our charge.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of the unique needs of Alaska's children.

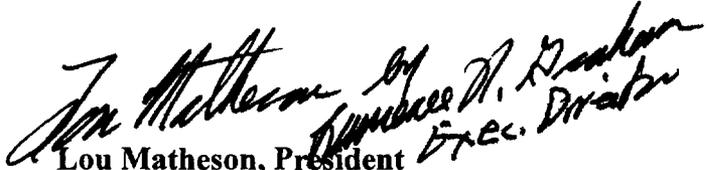
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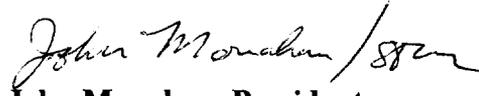
  
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Dear FCC Commissioners:

As the CEO of rural hospital in Kentucky, I am writing to ask you to please support the universal service policy presently under review.

Rural Hospitals have higher Medicaid, Medicare and indigent populations to serve and often times can't afford or support practice requirements of full time medical specialists and subspecialists. Telemedicine provides us with immediate diagnostic results and communication links that are essential in continuing to deliver quality care to those who most need it in medically under served areas.

Universal service rates which are more affordable for voice and data transmission are essential to our ability to survive and deliver care. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Reasbeck  
President/CEO



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The Honorable Reed E. Hundt  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Dear Chairman Hundt:

Allow me this opportunity to address some issues regarding the Universal Service high assistance fund proposals under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). It is my understanding that the FCC is currently reviewing various modifications to the Joint Board's Recommended High Cost Fund Proposal. I am very concerned that under most of these modified proposals Maryland's net contribution to the High Cost Fund would increase. Consequently, Maryland citizens would be forced to pay higher rates to account for the increased subsidy for telecommunications subscribers in other states. No citizen, regardless of where they live, should be overburdened with funding a high cost assistance program that is inequitably structured in size and scope. It is my recommendation that any proposal which would increase the size of the high cost fund be reconsidered.

Over the past few years, the Maryland General Assembly and the Maryland Public Service Commission have proactively developed a framework to foster telecommunications competition in Maryland. If the federal high cost fund is not structured appropriately, subsidies collected will distort the Maryland telecommunications market, hamper robust competition, and ultimately inhibit growth in economic development.

Chairman Russell Frisby of the Maryland Public Service Commission expressed similar concerns in his letter to you. I urge you and the FCC to heed Chairman Frisby's advice and defer any final decision on the size and scope of the high cost fund. Instead, I would ask that you consider Chairman Frisby's suggestion to reconvene the Joint Board to revisit this issue in order to allow adequate consideration of all concerns with the hope that a reasonable accommodation can be reached.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Parris N. Glendening  
Governor